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To: BPA SUD Provider Network

From: Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Division of Behavioral Health

RE: SUD Recovery Coach Reimbursable Services

Effective immediately, IDHW and IDJC will be reimbursing for Recovery Coach Services. IDOC is determining how they will add Recovery Coaching services to their SUD program, and will provide information later. ISC is not reimbursing for Recovery Coach services.

Now as its own billable RSS in WITS, Recovery Coaching will be reimbursed at the rate of \$10.00 per 15-minute unit. Authorizations will not exceed 192 units per 6 month episode and will be prorated accordingly for shorter authorizations.

Idaho Recovery Coach Certification

This service is billable for credentialed Recovery Coaches only. Credentialing is offered through the Idaho Board of Alcohol/Drug Counselor's Certification (IBADCC). The credential became available for application July 1, 2015. For more information, go to http://www.ibadcc.org/new_web/resources/news/news.shtml

Grace Period: Because many of Idaho's trained Recovery Coaches will need time to get the required experience for the IBADCC credential, the partners will offer a 2-year grace period, allowing Recovery Coaches trained in both Recovery Coaching and Ethics for Recovery Coaching under the Connecticut Community for Addiction Recovery (CCAR) model to bill for their services. If you currently employ a Recovery Coach who has not received the Ethics for Recovery Coaching training, please contact Michael Armand at armandm@dhw.idaho.gov.

Billing: Beginning July 1, 2017, Recovery Coaches will be required to have an IBADCC credential and be contracted through BPA to provide this service in order to be reimbursed by SUD funding. Services must be requested through the Authorization Change Request process.

If your agency has a Recovery Coach on staff and would like to bill for services, you must complete the attached application to add a service and submit it to BPA. In addition, your agency will need to comply with the supervision requirements for Recovery Coaches, which is two hours a month of supervision by either a CADC or clinical supervisor utilizing the attached Performance Enhancement Form. Also attached, you will find the Idaho Recovery Coach Code of Ethics.

The following is a description of Recovery Coach reimbursable services and non-reimbursable services.

Recovery Coaching Services:

Reimbursable services:

The following may be billed by the Recovery Coach:

1. Face-to-face contact between the Recovery Coach and the client, client's family members, legal representative, primary caregivers, service providers, or other individuals directly involved with the client's recovery;
2. Telephone calls or e-mail contact between the Recovery Coach, and the client, client's family members, legal representative, primary caregivers, service providers, or other individuals directly involved with the client's recovery.

Non-reimbursable services:

The following cannot be billed:

1. Missed appointments;
2. Attempted contact or leaving a message;
3. Travel to provide services or transporting clients;
4. Group sessions; or
5. Recovery Coach services for clients under the age of 18.

If you have any questions, please contact Michael Armand – ArmandM@dhw.idaho.gov 208-332-7238 or see Recovery Coach DBH standards link below.

<http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Portals/Rainbow/Manuals/Mental%20Health/BHStandardseManual/NetHelp/index.html#!Documents/20recoverycoaching.htm>